Municipal Election City of Cedartown

The next municipal election for the City of Cedartown will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2015 at the Nathan Dean Center Gym located at the Bert Wood Youth & Athletic Complex at 605 Lynton Drive, Cedartown, Georgia 30125.

Two Commissioners shall be elected from the city at large and shall be elected by the consolidated vote of the entire city to serve a four year term.

All candidates running for office should make themselves familiar with the Georgia Ethics in Government Act.

Commission meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month, and work sessions on the 1st Monday of each month. Special called work sessions and meetings are also called on an as-needed basis. Elected officials take office at the first Commission meeting in January following the election.

Compensation for elected officials is as follows: The Commission Chairman receives \$200 per month. City Commission members receive \$150 per month.

Interested candidates may familiarize themselves with City operations including, but not limited to review of the City of Cedartown Charter, the Cedartown Code of Ordinances, the Constitution of the State of Georgia, and guidelines set forth by the Georgia Government Transparency Campaign Finance Commission.

Candidate Qualifications

No person shall be eligible to serve as a Commissioner unless he or she has attained the age of twenty-one and have been a resident of this city for one year immediately preceding his or her qualification for office, and shall be a qualified and registered voter, eligible to vote in the municipal elections and shall not have been convicted of any crime involving moral turpitude.

Qualifying

Qualifying fees have been set and published as \$54 for City Commissioner. Any person desiring to become a candidate shall file written notice during the qualifying period.

The qualifying period for the 2015 Municipal Election will begin on Monday, August 31, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. and conclude on Wednesday, September 2, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the office of the Polk County Registrar located at 144 West Avenue.

Reporting

Please note that candidates for public office are required to file forms with the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission (formerly known as the State Ethics Commission).

Campaigning

The City of Cedartown has a Sign Ordinance, which may be found under Section 94, Article X of the Cedartown Code, campaign signs also fall under these regulations in section 94-703 (b) (15). Visit www.cedartowngeorgia.gov to access the Cedartown Code of Ordinances online. Other restrictions regarding campaign activities can be found in the Official Code of Georgia (O.C.G.A.) Title 21, also published as the Georgia Election Code and Rules of the State Election Board.

Resource Documents & Important Links

Code of Ordinances: City of Cedartown

Code of Ethics Ordinance: City of Cedartown, Chapter 2, Article V

www.cedartowngeorgia.gov

Georgia Election Code and Rules of the State Election Board www.sos.ga.gov/elections

Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission (Formerly Ethics Commission) Reporting requirements www.georgia government transparency and campaign finance commission

GGTCFC Training Workshops

Educational Outreach Program for Candidates
www.georgia.government transparency and campaign finance commission

GGTCFC APPLICATION FOR PIN

Electronic filing (required of all candidates whether elected or not)

www.georgia government transparency and campaign finance commission